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Grassley Announces Participants, Releases White Papers for Charitable Governance Roundtable

WASHINGTON – Sen. Chuck Grassley, chairman of the Committee on Finance, with ranking member Sen. Max Baucus, are convening a roundtable to consider white papers in response to the bipartisan staff discussion draft of proposed reforms of tax-exempt organizations. Today, Grassley released the names of the roundtable participants, whose white papers will be posted at finance.senate.gov today.

The roundtable is scheduled for Thursday, July 22, from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. in 215 Dirksen Senate Office Building. The committee chose the participants after soliciting white papers from individuals and organizations interested in participating.

"A lot of people in the tax-exempt field have views and expertise they'd like to share with the committee," Grassley said. "This roundtable will give them the opportunity to comment on the staff discussion draft of reforms or anything else on charitable governance. I'm very pleased with the strong response from the charitable community."

The roundtable will be closed to the public and media to encourage maximum participation in the event. It follows the committee's June 22 hearing on charitable governance reforms. The participants' list follows.

Mr. Ira Millstein Senior Partner Weil, Gotshal & Manges

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Ms. Frances Hill Professor of Law and Director, Graduate Program in Taxation University of Miami School of Law Ms. Betsey Buchalter Adler Chair of ABA Section Taxation Committee on Exempt Organizations

Ms. Evelyn Brody

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Professor, Chicago-Kent College of Law

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Ms. Diana Aviv President and Chief Executive Officer Independent Sector

Ms. Jane Nichols President and Chief Executive Officer Goodwill Industries Chattahoochee Valley, Inc.

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Mr. Pablo Eisenberg Senior Fellow Georgetown Public Policy Institute

Mr. Vaughn Henry Henry and Associates Gift and Estate Planning Resources for Professionals

Ms. Audrey R. Alvarado Executive Director National Council of Nonprofit Associations (NCNA)

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